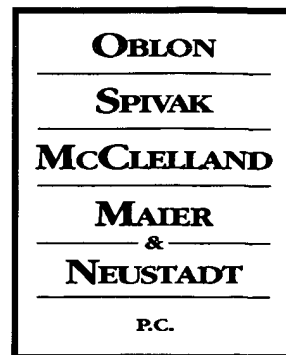


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In response to the Election Requirement dated November 19, 2004, Applicants elect Group I, Claims 1-20 and 25-31, drawn to reliability evaluation test system and a method for testing, classified in class 324, subclass 765 for further examination on the merits.

Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected invention.

Accordingly, examination on the merits of Claims 1-31 is believed to be in order and an early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

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